

# FUNDING ALERT

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## **Federal Opportunities**

Technology Opportunities Program. The Department of Commerce announces funds for model projects that demonstrate innovative uses of digital network technologies in underserved communities. State and local governments are eligible as well as all nonprofit entities including community-based organizations, schools, and colleges. The deadline is March 22, 2001. Approximately 30 awards will be made averaging approximately \$500,000 each. Grant recipients will be required to provide matching funds toward the total project cost. For further information, contact Stephen Downs at (202) 482-2048 or top@ntia.doc.gov. Also see http://www.ntia.doc.gov/otiahome/top/index.html.

Emergency Immigrant Education Program. The Department of Education announces funds for States to assist local educational agencies that experience unexpectedly large increases in their student population due to immigration. Only State educational agencies are eligible. March 16, 2001 is the deadline for applications. A total of \$150 million is available nation-wide. For more information, contact Ki Lee at (202) 205-8730. Also see <a href="http://www.ed.gov./GrantApps/">http://www.ed.gov./GrantApps/</a>.

# **District Opportunities**

Last Call! WIC-CSFP Food Center Grant. The DC Department of Health, Office of Nutrition Programs (ONP), Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) and the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) announce funds to develop, plan, implement and manage a WIC-CSFP Food Center in the Anacostia Community of Washington, DC. The

purpose of the WIC-CSFP Food Center grant is to provide nutritional assistance to approximately 3,500 women, infants, children and seniors participating in the WIC or CSFP in the District of Columbia. The center will also house public and private adjunct health and social service programs for WIC and CSFP customers and the community. The deadline is January 25, 2001. One award of \$1,121,000 will be made. The deadline for submission is January 25, 2001. Applications can be obtained from the Office of Research and Analysis, 717 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20005. Contact (202) 727-6537. Applications are also available at <a href="http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding\_grants/index.shtm">http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding\_grants/index.shtm</a>.

Still Open: Community Outreach Campaign. The DC Department of Health, Office of Nutrition Programs (ONP), Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) solicits applications to develop, plan, implement and evaluate a comprehensive, aggressive community outreach campaign targeting pregnant women, new mothers, infants and children in under served groups. These under served groups include underrepresented ethnic groups, families living in homeless shelters and transitional housing, children in foster care, children with special health care needs, pregnant teenagers and teenage mothers, families making the transition from Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) to the workforce, and families enrolled in the DC Healthy Families Program. The deadline is January 31, 2001. One award of \$325,000 will be made. The Request for Application (RFA) will be available on December 22, 2000 from 717 14th Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. Contact (202) 727-6537. Also see http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/ grant/funding grants/index.shtm



Escheated Estates Fund for Nonprofits. Districtbased, nonprofit organizations are invited to apply for a grant or loan of up to \$10,000 from the Escheated Estates Fund. Grants and loans will be made only for projects that benefit low-income residents of the District of Columbia. Priority will be given to the following: projects that will serve minority residents in low-income neighborhoods; projects that will improve health or housing; projects that will be of particular benefit to children, the elderly, or the physically or mentally handicapped; and projects that fill gaps in existing services. Requests for application forms, applicable regulations and instructions as well as other relevant inquiries should be directed, in writing, to the following address: Beverly D. Rivers, Chairman, Escheated Estates Application Screening Committee, One Judiciary Square, 441 Fourth Street, NW, Suite 1130, Washington, DC 20001.

# **Foundation Opportunities**

**Community Greening Small Grants.** Garden Resources of Washington (GROW) announces small grants up to \$1,000 for community greening projects in Washington, DC. Projects such as new gardens, tree plantings, garden renovations, educational projects and special events are encouraged. Eligible organizations include community and youth groups, schools, churches, civic associations, and community gardens. Applications are due by March 15, 2001. Applicants are strongly urged to attend a grant information meeting at GROW at 1419 V St. NW on one of the following dates: Weds. 1/24 at 6:30pm, Sat. 1/27 at 9:00am, Tues. 1/30 at 6:30pm, or Sat. 2/3 at 10:00am. For an application or more information, call (202) 234-0591 or email GROW19@aol.com.

### **Resources & Announcements**

**The DC Foundation Center.** *The Foundation Center Library* will be closed to the public while it is moving. The library will reopen on January 17 at 1627 K Street NW, Third Floor, Washington, DC 20006. With this move, the Foundation Center will become a multi-faceted resource center, offering a larger library, computer center, and classrooms for

expanded programming. Contact the library at (202) 331-1400 for more information. Also see <a href="http://fdncenter.org/washington/index.html">http://fdncenter.org/washington/index.html</a> to review the links to local community resources and the calendar of upcoming events.

**The Senior Community Service Employment Program.** The DC Department of Employment Services (DOES) is seeking senior citizens interested in working part-time. This program is designed to promote meaningful part-time employment for needy elderly residents. As Senior Aides, participants are assigned to jobs in public and private non-profit organizations working 20 hours/ week at minimum wages. DOES pay the salaries with funds from the US Dept. of Labor and the National Council of Senior Citizens. Applicants must be 55 years or older, be a DC resident and have an annual income not exceeding the US Dept. of Labor's Poverty Guidelines. DOES is currently recruiting for senior citizens interested in participating in this program. If you are interested or know of someone who is, contact Diane Hearn in the Senior Aide Office. (202) 724-7071.

### Discussion Forums @ CharityChannel.com.

CharityChannel is the largest online community of nonprofit professionals. CharityChannel has over 40 discussion forums that cover all aspects of nonprofit development and management. One of the forums, DCMetro@CharityChannel.com is a general discussion forum for nonprofits, foundations, and community groups in the Washington, DC metropolitan area. Search the archives for tips on grant writing and fundraising. Visit <a href="https://www.CharityChannel.com">www.CharityChannel.com</a>

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